

15-27 N. Main St. (Commercial Buildings)  
Weisbrod's Hall  
23 N. Main St.  
Oshkosh  
Winnebago County  
Wisconsin

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PHOTOGRAPHS

WRITTEN HISTORICAL AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA

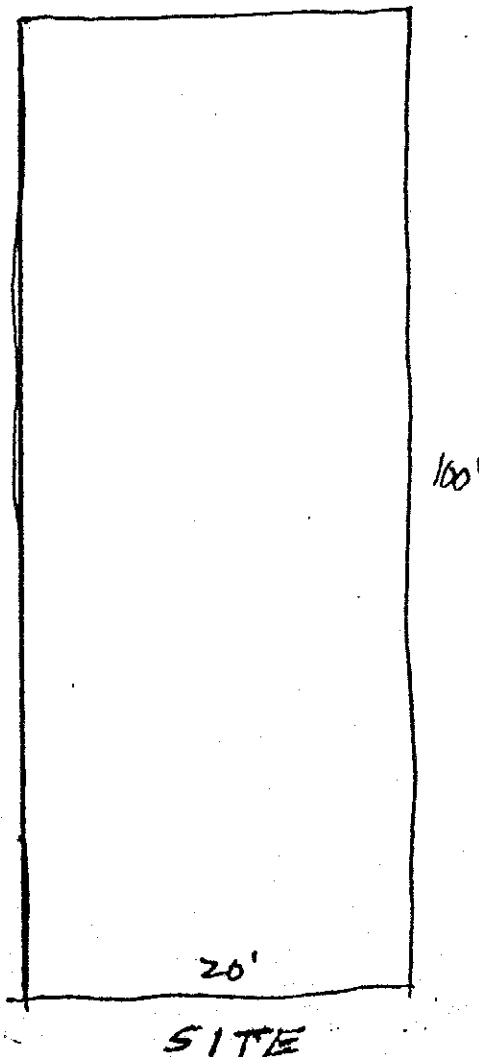
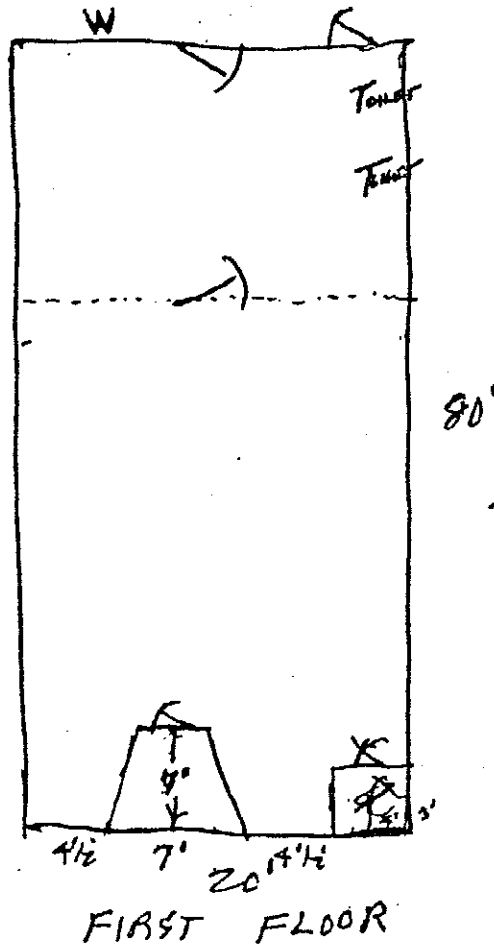
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ARCHITECTURAL DATA FORM

STATE	COUNTY	TOWN OR VICINITY
Wisconsin	Winnebago	City of Oshkosh
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) 15-27 N. Main St. (Commercial Buildings) Weisbrod's Hall (Source: Winnebago County Register of Deeds files)		HABS NO. WI-287C
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE 23 North Main Street		
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) 23 North Main Street, Oshkosh, WI 54901		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) 1873/Facade later - Probably 1884-1885 Source: Winnebago County Register of Deeds	ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE) Unknown	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) An excellent example of the Queen Anne commercial building, fairly rare in Oshkosh. Rudolph J. Weisbrod was the original owner of the building. He was a furniture manufacturer and undertaker who used the building for his business. In 1884-5, Weisbrod extensively remodeled the building and opened a saloon and hall. In 1891 the building was remodeled again and sold to H. Teichgraber who opened the "Alhambra" saloon. One of few structures that survived the 1875 fire.		
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE) and sold to H. Teichgraber who opened the "Alhambra" saloon. One of few structures that survived the 1875 fire. Queen Anne Commercial		
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) Wood framed with solid brick walls with face brick front with stone trim, stone sills, stone coping. Stone and raised brick decorative elements. Variety of materials including red brick, stone, and terra cotta.		
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTED) Three-story 20' by 80' structure. See attached sketch and appraisal.		
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE Remnants of early 20th Century Carrara glass storefront. Engaged colonettes rise from store corbels and merge into bartizans above the roof. Stone bands provide an interesting counterpoint to this vertical emphasis. Second floor windows are rectangular resting on a common sill which terminates in volutes while those on the third floor are framed by rounded arches which spring from stone imposts.		
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED) See attached sketch and appraisal sheets.		
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES No building permits are on record except for the 1969 permit to repair fire damage. First floor significantly altered in mid-twentieth century.		
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE Poor condition. Building is vacant.		
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE A 1962 fire burned out the west end of the second and third floors and damaged the first floor. A building permit was taken out in 1969 to repair the building. Floor joists were replaced but new flooring has not been installed. The City of Oshkosh has purchased the building and intends to clear the site for redevelopment.		
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDE LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) The Keeper of the National Register has determined that the Main Street commercial streetscape is eligible for inclusion on the National Register of Historic Places as an Historic District.		
COMPILER, AFFILIATION Phil Rosenquist, Associate Planner, City of Oshkosh, Wisconsin		DATE December 2, 1981



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IMPROVEMENT DATA

The improvements include a three story, no basement, masonry building, a fire escape, concrete paving, stone paving.

The building is 20 feet by 80 feet with 1,600 square foot area. It is estimated to be about 100 years old. It is wood framed with solid brick walls with face brick front with stone trim, stone sills, stone coping. The front entrance is recessed 7 feet with plate set in aluminum display windows. There is a recessed doorway to the second and third floors at the north end of the front. The rear and side walls are common brick with 5 windows and 4 access doors. A steel fire escape with three landings at the rear of the building serves the second and third floors. The front exterior is in fair condition. The rear exterior is in fair to poor condition with the brick arches and wall cracking and deteriorating. There is a 6" box gutter at roof height on the west wall with no downspout in poor condition.

There is a crawl space and no basement area.

The interior first floor has maple wood strip floor bulged in some areas and in poor condition. Walls are plaster on wood lath in fair to poor condition. Ceiling is 13 foot height with old metal and extends partly down the walls. It is in fair to poor condition. The rear area has two toilet rooms each with ceramic tile floors, old toilet,

IMPROVEMENT DATA

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old lavatory, a urinal in Men's room, drywall partition walls, 2' by 6' wood panel door. There is an old kitchen in poor condition. The rear door has the top two wood panels broken out and a fan window above.

There is a wood stairs up to second and third floors with a landing and hall at each floor.

The second floor has 6 old rooms and a furnace room at the northwest corner with an old steam boiler gas fired. The west area has some new joists but no flooring. The walls and ceilings are in poor condition. There is no plumbing.

The third floor has 7 old rooms and an old bathroom all in very poor condition.

The second and third floors have no remaining economic life. Any potential use for the two floors would require expensive remodeling which would not be justified by the existing market.

There is 138 square feet of concrete paving at the rear of the building in poor condition.

There is 262 square feet of stone paving at the rear of the building in fair condition.